Conducted by GRACE LIVINGSTON HILL.

December 15.

Daniel, ii:44, 45.

And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, glory and the love of Jesus shall fill the but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand

45. Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it break in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter; and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

The Hymns. Gospel Hymns No. 6-12, 36, 54, 112, 135,

154, 212, 228 C. E. Hymns-37, 51, 60, 84, 100, 110, 139, 147,

Parallel Passages.

Psalms, xxii:27, 28; Psalms 1xxii:8, 17; Psalms, cvl:11, 13; Isaiah, xxiv:23, Isaiah, lix:19; Isaiah, lx:19, 22; Daniel, vii:27; Habakkuk, ii:14; John, xii:32; Revela-

Analysis of the Topic.

Nebuchadnezzar, the King, had a dream, and-perhaps because he was an idol worshiper, as many of us are today-his dream took the form of a beautiful image, which yet was terrible. The head was of Did the fineness of its surface fill the King with a mysterious exultation, because of its relation to himself dimly felt? Perhaps he did not notice much the silver, the brass, the iron, of the body and legs, with the mingled Iron and clay of the feet, as he gazed on the head of gold. But the picture was more-a great stone cut from the solid rock, no hands in sight, no sound of hammer, and hurled upon the feet by an un-seen force-notice that it is the foundation that most of our idols rest upon that breaks first-and broke them in pieces so that the idol itself tottered and fell, breaking from one degree of strength and fineness of metal to another, till even the precious gold became "like the chaff of the summer threshing floor," and be hold! the stone had become a mountain and filled the whole earth.

The terrible, beautiful mystery broke over the soul of Nebuchadnezzar like a great wave of the sea overwhelming him in a tumult of question. And then, because God would teach him that this was no fantasy of the King's or Daniel's imagination. He took from him the remem brance of the vision, but not the distress

The troubled soul of the King began to cry aloud for knowledge, and to do all his army without a blow, preferring to sorts of reasonable and unreasonable things to get at the remembrance of his dream, and because the King set his whole soul to find what God meant, the far worse servitude. If we obey, he, as vision was sent back to him through the did Alexander with his soldier, makes us prophet Daniel, with the explanation ruler over that citadel in his stead. made clear beyond a doubt, and the signature of the Most High affixed in these words: "The great God hath made known to the King what shall come to pass here

The image again. The King knew a once that what he was about to hear was true. Yes, had he not felt that the gold the fine gold, of the head was connected with him? The head was his precious kingdom, and of it, no doubt, had Nebuchadnezzar made an idel. But now with a sudden realization, came the knowledge that his idol was not to last forever, even though of the finest of the most precious metal. It was to pass away, and another, less valuable, but stronger, take its place. And it begins to dawn upon Nebuchadt at it will dawn upon us some day, that he is giving away his love, his hope, his powers, his all, to something Christ's kingdom to come. Have the that will not last. And, as a result, choir sing, "The Coming of the Kingdom Nebuchadnezzar falls proctrate before the Draweth Near," found in "The Chris God of gods, acknowledging Him as "a tian Choir," page forty. Lord of Kings."

heart that will pass away? Is it but gold that perisheth? Is it the glory of thy country thou worshipest? This truly is a great and blessed country. It seems to some as if it were intended

to overcome and rule the world. Its free-

dom and its richness are unparalleled.

But, as surely as Jesus Christ by miracle

Topic: "Imperialism of Christianity." | came to this earth to live and die, he, the without hands will one day fall upon the kingdoms of this world and crush them our existence, and the power and the

It is agreed by many students that we

re living in the end of the times prophesied and that the beginning of Christ's final and never-ending reign is not far off But if it be tomorrow, or in the next century, or still further away, Christ hurch knows it is to come, knows that there will be a time when all earthly kingdoms shall be brought low before the eavenly king. They not only believe in t but pray for it daily, "Thy kingdom

tue and Bancroft place, Rev. Herbert cott Smith, D. D., rector-8 o'clock, holy ommunion; 9:30 a. m., Sunday school o'clock, morning prayer and sermon. come." De we as Christians really want Christ's kingdom to come on the earth? 'clock evening, prayer and sermon by he Rev. Albert R. Stuart, D. D. Stran-Are we helping to hasten the day as much as if we were soldiers of the United States fighting to extend our boundaries? Do St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral, Third and I you? There is a saloon around the cor ner from you that is doing much to keep Christ's kingdom from coming in the hearts of many in your neighborhood.

have given up church work because you

do not like the minister. Also, you have

quarrel with some of the prominent

nembers of the church. Think, if a battle

vere on, and your country's victory at

stake, how long would you refuse to obey

the officer placed over your regiment be

or had treated you with indifference? And

would you in the face of danger to your

country fall to killing and cutting your

fellow-soldier, while the enemy's shells

The kingdom of God needs to com-

ragments of Nebuchadnezzar's image

'no place was found for them." Silent-

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nis church has been, so will come the

true spirit into our hearts and the king-

dom begin, until finally it shall sweep

over the whole earth and crush out sin

and death forever. "And the dream is

certain, and the interpretation thereof

The commander of a rock fortress in

surrendered to victorious Alexander and

India, that seemed almost impregnable.

enlist with than oppose one destined to

conquer all. So Jesus asks our alleg-

How to Help the Leader.

Tell in a few words some item or in-

ident showing the growth of Christ's

kingdom. Try to bring some other soul

putting up a little flag at each notable

on the steady gain of Christianity through

ent time, not forgetting notable events

Call for ways in which we can help

"Oh, the joy to see Thee reigning,

Every tongue Thy name confessing.

Brought to Thee with glad accord!

Worship, honor, glory, blessing,

Thee, our Master and our Friend,

F. R. HAVERGAL

Thee, our own beloved Lord!

Vindicated and enthroned!

Unto earth's remotest end

Glorified, adored, and owned."

in Christian missions

iance. If we refuse, it is to sink into

burst over your head?

sure."

cause he had failed to be agreeable to you,

St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral, Third and a Streets southeast—7:30 a. m., holy communion; Il o'clock, morning service, holy communion and sermon by the Bishop of Washington; 3:30 p. m., children's service, address by the Right Rev. Lucien L. Kinsolving, D. D., Bishop of Brazil; 7:30 o'clock, evening prayer and sermon. Strangers welcome. You cannot do anything to stop it of course. But think! Suppose it were an ambush from which might spring at any moment upon an American citizen an St. Andrew's Church, Fourteenth and St. Andrews Church, Fourteenth and Corcoran Streets northwest, Rev. J. B. Perry, rector—Celebration of the holy communion, 7:30 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon by Rev. Dr. Somerville, of Falls Church, Va., 11 o'clock; evening prayer and sermon by the Bishop of the liocese, 7:30 o'clock. armed force of a cruel foreign power Would not you and your fellow-citizen much to your church as formerly, and you

St. Paul's Church, Twenty-third Street orthwest, near Washington Circle, Rev. Alfred Harding and Rev. Enoch M. Thompson, clergy—All seats free. Vested hompson, clergy—All seats tree. Vesteu-hoir; 7:30 a. m., holy communion; 9:45 b. m., Sunday school; 10 a. m., Bible dasses; 10:30 o'clock, morning prayer; 1 a. m., litany, holy communion, and sermion; 8 p. m., full choral evensong and sermon: week days, 7:15 a. m., holy communion; Thursday, 11 a. m.; 4:30 p. m.,

preach morning and evening.

Christ Church, Georgetown, corner O

and Thirty-first Streets, Rev. A. R. Stuart D. D., rector—Services: Holy communion, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.;

St. Margaret's Church, Connecticut Ave

All seats free.

Grace Church, Ninth and D Streets outhwest, Rev. Charles F. Sontag, recor-Early celebration at 7:30 a.m.; Bible class or young men and women at 10 a.m.; norning prayer and sermon at 11 'clock; evensong and sermon at 7:30 'clock; evensong a rst in our hearts, crushing out every idol Seats free. Vested choir. Stran-

St. John's Church, Sixteenth and H Streets northwest, rector, Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith, S. T. D.-8 a. m., celebra-tion of the holy eucharist; II o'clock, norning prayer, Iltany, and sermon by the ector; 3 p. m., Sunday school and Bible lasses; 4:15 o'clock, choral even-song, rith an address; daily evening prayer at:15 o'clock, with an address on Wednessey. ays. Music by the choir from St. John's brphanage. Celebration of the holy euchrist every Thursday at 12 clock noon. aturday, St. Thomas' Day, 'elebration of he holy eucharist, at 12 clock. Visitors are invited.

other days, 7 and 9 a. m. and 7 p. m., exept Friday, 7:30 p. m.; parish school, 9 . m.; Bible class, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. All welcome.

day school; 11 a. m., service and sermon offering for Epiphany Chapel; 4 o'clock, evening prayer and instruction; 7:30 p. m., service and sermon; the rector will St. Luke's Church-7:30 a. m., holy com St. Luke's Church—7:30 a. m., holy communion; Il a. m., service and sermon by Rev. Algemon S. Crapsey, D. D., of Rochester, N. Y., subject, "The Priesthood of the Nation, the Church, and the Individual;" p. m., sermon, closing the Advent mission, subject, "The Fate of the Soul." All seats free; all welcome. Grace Church, Georgetown, Rev. Dr. Pettis, rector—celebration of holy com-munion, 8 a. m.; morning prayer and ser-mon, 11 o'clock; evening prayer and sor-mon, 7:30 o'clock; Sunday school, 9:30 a.

St. John's Church, O Street, between Thirty-second and Thirty-third Streets—Holy communion at 7:30 a.m.; morning prayer and seemon by Ray. Robert S. W. Wood at 11 o'clock, and evening prayer at 4:30 o'clock, at which Bishop Satterlee will deliver an address.

morning prayer, litany, and sermon, it o'clock; evening prayer, 7:30 o'clock. The third service in the Advent course will be delivered in the evening by the Rev. Dr. Herbert Scott Smith. Church of the Ascension, Massachi Avenue and Twelfth Street northwest,
Rev. J. H. Elliott, D. D., Rev. H. Allen
Griffith—8 a. m., holy communion; 11 a. m.,
service and sermon; 8 p. m., service, with
sermon by Rev. W. M. Morgan-Jones,
Strangers welcome. Vested choir of sixty. St. Andrew's Chapel, 2022 Twelfth Stree northwest, Rev. Dr. Sprigg in charge-Services 11 a. m. and 7:50 p. m. St. Matthew's Chapel, M and Half Streets southeast, Rev. J. M. E. McKee, minister in charge—Sunday school, 9:30 a. Organ recital begins 7:40 p. m. m; morning service and sermon, 11 'clock; evening service, with address, 1:30 o'clock; service, with address, every Thursday evening at 1:30 o'clock. Seats tree. Strangers cordially welcomed.

St. Thomas' Church, Dupont Circle, Eighteenth Street, between P and Q Streets, Rev. J. A. Aspinwall, rector; Rev. Carl S. Smith, assistant—Sunday school at 9:30; morning service and sermen by Right Rev. L. L. Kinsolving, Bishop of Brazil, at 11; evening service at 4. A welcome to all.

Lutheran.

Geneordia Church, Twentieth and G Streets, Paul A. Menzel pastor—Sunday School (in German), 9:45 a. m.; morning service (in German), 11 o'clock; Confirm-ation Society, 2:39 p. m.; Christian En-deavor prayer meeting (in English), 6:45 p. m.; evening service (in English), mis-sions, subject "Pandita Parapial", 7:20 ions, subject, "Pundita Ramabal." 7:30

Church of the Reformation, Pennsylva Church of the Reformation, Pennsylva-nia Avenue and Second Street southeast, W. E. Parson, D. D., pastor—Sunday School, 5:30 a. m.; morning service, 11 o'clock; young people's meeting, 6:45 p. m.; evening service, 7:30 o'clock; Thurs-day service, 7:30 p. m. All welcome.

Grace Church, Thirteenth and Corcoran Streets northwest, Rev. J. E. A. Doer-mann, "astor-Service, with sermon by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; midweek service, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.; Sun-day School, 9:30 a. m. Seats free.

Luther Place Memorial Church, Thomas Circle, Rev. J. G. Butler, pastor—Services, with preaching by the pastor, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 9:30 z. m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m.; Junior Endeavor, 3:30 p. m.; prayer meeting, Thursday.

H. Butler, pastor—Services, with preaching by the pastor, 'H a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m.; Junior Endeavor, 3 p. m.; at 3 o'clock, meeting at Lutheran Home for Aged: prayer meeting. Thursday.

St. Paul's English Church, Eleventh and tian Endeavor, \$:30 p. m.; prayer meeing Thursday, 7:30 p. m., topic, "A Broken Up Prayer Meeting and the Man Who Broke It Up." Seats free. Strangers wel-

Union Church, Twentieth Street, near week service Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

tion of Christianity; or, a Call to the Ex-ercise of Power" and "The Tremondous Meaning of a Familiar Prayer; or, a Plea for Shortlin". for Sincerity," respectively; both sermons will be in continuation of the theme "Christianity According to Christ;" Ep-

worth League at 6:30 p. m. K Street Church, Rev. William Lynn pastor—9:30 a.m., Sunday school; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., preaching by the pastor; 3 p.m., praise service; Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., prayer meeting. All welcome.

Mount Tabor Church, Thirty-second and Thirty-fifth Street northwest, Rev. J. H. straughn, pastor—Preaching, 11 a. m. and [30 p. m.; Sunday school, 5:45 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m.

Foundry Church, Fourteenth and G Streets, Rev. Luther B. Wilson, D. D., pastor—Preuching by pastor at 11 a. m., on "As Thot Wilt;" at 7:30 p. m., "Words and Deeds;" music by quartette; Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; league at 6:45 p. m.; prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m., Thursday, West Washington Church, South, 1618

Thirty-third Street northwest—Preaching 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., by pastor, Rev. F. L. Day: Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Ep-worth League, 6:30 p.m.; prayer meet-ing Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Central Church, Twelith and M Streets, Central Church, Twelith and M Streets, Rev. J. M. Gill, pastor—9:45 a. m., Sun-day school; ii a. m., preaching, subject, "Unconsciously Shorn of Power;" 6:45 p. m., Christian Workers' meeting; 7:30 p. m., preaching, subject, "God's Indictment of Man;" prayer service Thursday, 8 p. m. Seats free. All welcome.

Douglas Church, Rev. S. M. Hartsock, D. D., pastor—9:30 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., preaching by Rev. C. W. Galla-gher, D. D.,; 6:15 p. m., Epworth League; 7:30 p. m., Rev. Albert Osborn, B. D. All

nd K Streets northeast, Rev. J. Edwin mos, pastor—Sunday school at 9:30 a. ; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. v the pastor; Epworth League service at :30 p. m. All invited.

Grace Church, Ninth and S Streets northwest, Rev. Joseph Edmund Smith, LL. D., pastor—II a. m., preaching by the pastor, "The House of God's Glory;" \$ p. m., preaching by Rev." H. R. Naylor, D. D.; 9:30 a. m., Sunday school; 7 p. m., Epworth League, at which Mr. Walter J. Humphries will sing.

Hamline Church, Ninth and P Streets aorthwest—Precching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 b. m. by the pastor, Lucien Clark, D. D., norning subject, "An Honest Inquirer;" evening, "A Helping Hand;" Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; Epworth League, 6:15

McKendree Church 915-919 Massachu by the pastor; children's class at 2:30 p. ; Epworth League at 6:45.

Mount Pleasant Church—Sunday school ver postoffice, Park Street, at 3 p. m.; ildweek services, Thursday at 7:30 p. m. All invited to both services. Ryland Church, Tenth and D Streets

Southwest, Rev. Alexander Bielaski, pas-or-9:30, Sunday school; 11 and 7:30, preaching by pastor; 2 p. m., Juniors; 6:45 p. m., Epworth League.

Gorsuch Church, Four-and-a-half and Streets southwest, Rev. Thomas E. Copes, pastor—11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., reaching by the pastor; 9:30 a. m., Sun

Dumbarton Avenue Church, between Thirty-first and Thirty-second Streets northwest, Rev. Frank H. Havenner, pastor-9:30 a.m., Sunday school; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., preaching by the pastor;

St. James' Church, Eighth Street, near Massachusetts Avenue, B and C Streets Street, between G and I Streets southeast, northeast-7:30, 10:30 and 11 a. m., 3.30 Rev. A. H. Thompson, pastor-9:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3 p. m.; Sunday school, precching by pastor at 11

A sand map would be useful, with a imber of bright little flags made of bits The Knights of Columbus of this city | Garrigan, of the Catholic University. | St. Augustine's Church, pastor, the Rev. of ribbon and tooth picks. If the sand is impossible, get the largest map of the world you can find. Arrange your brief talk to cover different periods in the growth and power of Christ's kingdom in the near future.

The Federation of Catholics which is place, beginning at Bethlehem, touching in convention at Cincinnati, Ohio, and at which over 600 delegates represent a in good luck. He received during the the history of the world until the pres-

lay of di Foligno's Madonna was attended by a large congregation and beautiful ceremonies. The event was one of note in the annals of St. Patrick's.

Immaculate Conception Church, pastor, the Rev. S. F. Ryan; assistant, the Rev. Father Ambrose A. Beavan-Services will take place at the regular schedule ho choir numbering thirty selected ces will render a fine musical pro-

Holy Name of Jesus Church, pastor, the Rev. Father Thomas J. Kervick; assistant, the Rev. Andrew J. Carey services tomorrow will take place at the egular hours.

Holy Trinity Church pastor the Rev Father James F. X. Mulvaney—The Sun-day services will be celebrated at the regular hours, and a fine musical programme has been prepared.

Sacred Heart Church-The Rev. Father McGee will officiate at the services toorrow. The altar paintings have been laced and the church now presents a

St. Aloysius Church, pastor, the Rev. Father Edward X. Fink-At high mass tocorrow the sermon will be preached by the sev. J. F. X. O'Conor, S. J. Father Hann will preach at Vespers. There will also be ommunion services for the Men's and oys' Sodalities. Funeral masses were said or the repose of Catherine McGuirk and atrick Enright, both formerly members of the parish. Among the visitors at the parish and president of the congregation, desires a president of the parish ones. St. Aloysius during this week were: The Rev. T. Gardner, Rev. W. Tyman, Rev. J. W. O'Rourke, all of the Society of Jesus. The choir is practicing for a new mass to be presented on Christmas. The opus is by Pizzi, and will be performed for the first time in America, with full organizations. ca with full orchestral acco It will be rendered at the 11 o'clock ma on Christmas Day. Cardinal Martinelli will celebrate solemn pontifical high mass on Christmas Day, and the Rev. Aloysius Brosnan, S. J., will preach the

St. Paul's Church, pastor, the Rev. ames F. Mackin-Services at 7, 9, 10 and 11 a. m. Vespers at 4:30 p. m. and Sunday school at 9 a. m.

vent Chapel of Perpetual Adoration began last Thursday at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Services, includ-ing sermons and benediction, will take place at the same hour for nine consecutive days, extending to Friday, December 20. Sermons are preached by the Father O'Brien has moved into the new Rev. Dr. Stafford, the Rev. Father Dolan. the Rev. Father Gaynor, of St. Patrick's Church; the Rev. J. C. Kent, of St. Dominic's; the Rev. J. A. Conway, of the Georgetown University; the Rev. Father O'Donoghue, of St. John's Church, Baltimore; Mgr. Rooker, of the papal delega-tion; the Rev. Father Currier, of St. Theresa's Church, Anacostia, pastor. J. A. Bokel the Rev. Michael P. Sullivan—Services to-morrow will take place at the usual hours.

are looking forward with pleasure toward the occupation of their new home, the E Street Baptist Church, which will occur

Notes of the Catholic Churches.

The Rev. Father McGee, pastor of the membership of over 600,000, is watched past two weeks from personal friends and with deep interest by Catholics all over the country. It is the purpose and aim of the Federation to band together all Catholic organizations for the purpose of strengthening Catholic influence and power and spread the doctrine of the church and do away with the prevailing prejudices against the same.

Interpret of the organ, \$120 for a baptismal font, \$350 for an altar, and \$150 cash from Mrs. Thyson in memory of her deceased husband. The fair and cuchre party which were given this week in the Carroll Institute were not as prolific, as far as far as receipts are concerned, as their predecasors: still. Father McGes says predecessors; still, Father McGee says that he is very well satisfied with the re-ceipts, and desires to thank all those who assisted in the undertasking. Father Mc-Gee since he took charge of his new parish through personal efforts has been able to pay off the indebtedness on the parish hall and site for the church corner of Fourteenth Street and Whitney Avenue northwest.

> Joseph C. Mallon will officiate to-morrow at the regular hours and will preach the sermo

> St. Anthony's, Brookland-The Rev Father Hannan has arranged a new schedule of winter services, as follows: One mass every Sunday, 8:20 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; baptisms, 3 p. m.; rosery and benefiction, 7 p. m.; mass at Soldiers' Home, 9 a.m. every Sunday; benediction at St. Vincent's Orphan Father Hannsh will celebrate mass at Sol-diers' Home tomorrow at 9 a.m. and the

St. Martin of Tours' Church, Bloomingnan-High mass will be celebrated tomor-School at 3:30 p. m.; meeting of parish-ioners at 4:30 p. m. J. C. V. Smith, the president of the congregation, desires a

van-Services at 7:00, 9:00 and 10:30

St. Patrick's Church, Dr. D. J. Stafford, ector-Tomorrow's services will take place at 7, 9 and 11 o'clock a. m. Father place at 1, 9 and 11 of clock a. m. Factor Dolan will preach and Father Gaynor will celebrate solemn high mass. Vespers will be solemnized at 4:30 o'clock, baptisms at 3:30 o'clock. The devotion of the Blessed Sacrament was held Thursday, and Dr.

St. Peter's Church, pastor the Rev James M. O'Brien -Services at this church

St. Stephen's Church, pastor, the Rev. W. S. Caughy-Services tomorrow at 7, 9 and 11 a. m. Vespers at 4:30 p

St. Cyprian's Church, pastor, the Rev. James R. Matthews will officiate at to-morrow's services.

St. Ignatius Church, Oxen Hill-Tomor-

St. Mary's Church-The pastor, the Rev. he day sung by the surpliced choir of boys. "O Salutaris," Tours, quartette, and "Tantum Ergo," Eichberg, chorus. The Rev. Father Currier is not in the very best of health and he expects to have an assistant in the very

"St. Martin's grew over night," said a dignitary of the Catholic Church at Bishop Conaty's reception at the University last Tuesday. About four months ag a number of residents of Bloomingdale met at the house of J. C. V. Smith and discussed the necessity of a Catholic church in that growing part of the city. They went straight to work, and with the assistance of the Rev. Father Hannan, pastor of St. Anthony's Church, Brook and, who is also -aster of the new parish began to agitate for a new and ir ent -arish. The Cardinal gave his ent rarish. The Cardinal gave his sanc-tion. The new congregation now owns a plot of ground covering 18,000 square feet at the corner of North Capitol and T Streets and will soon commence the erection of the new church. The old Moore Mansion is being temporarily used as a church until the new parish hall will

of the soul of Sister Julia, Provincial Superior of the Sisters of Notre Dame, was celebrated by Bishop Conaty in the chapel of Trinity College Thursday morning at o'clock a. m.

Bishop Conaty, rector of the Catholic University, celebrated his first pontifical y tendering him a reception last Wedn

The Epworth League.

Topics and Suggestions of Interest to Its Members.

s found in Daniel fi:44, 45.

Vital questions: Does Christ reign sureme in my life? Am I obedient to all of His commands? If I refuse to accept

Him, will His dominion be universal? Pointers for spiritual department: Do not spoil a meeting by placing a poor leader in charge. Be prompt in opening and closing. Have all the front seats occupied. Utilize the timid members by having them assist an experienced leader. A large number taking part increases the interest; therefore, brief testimonies-experiences dating back 20 years at time of conversions are out of order; but what s it today? The most helpful member is familiar with the Bible. Sentence prayers aid the new converts. Have members of the social department greet all who enter the door with a handshake and present a hymn book; sociability is an im-

portant factor in all meetings. Systematic Bible Study.

A great effort is being made throughou League circles to interest the individual members in a systematic study of the Bible by adopting the course arranged by the general League on "The Life of Christ," covering a four years' period of thirty-five weeks each. It is especially intended as a guide to the study of the Bible-the importance of which is recognized by all Christian workers in this busy age, when the religious training of children is left principally to the church in its Sunday school and young

people's societies. The leader of every class is furnished an enrollment with helps on the lesson by the Bureau of Bible Study in Chicago. Applications are coming in from all parts of the country for these helps. Amthe leading educational institutions which have adopted this text-book is the Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln, Neb. The students are conducting a series of Epworth League extension studies in their paper, "The Wesleyan," that is proving an important feature of League work in that State

Taking Up Literature. The points emphasized in these studies

are the literary study of the Bible and the Methodist hymnal, besides short tudies in American and English literature. The purpose of these studies is to help a thoughtful interpretation of the Bible and hymns and thus increase the leaguer's interest in Bible study and culivate great appreciation of sacred songs. It also takes up the reading course with uggestive questions. The reading course for 1901-1902 is com-

osed of the three following books: "Naure's Miracles," "Philip Yoakley-A Story of Today," and "The Young People's Wesley." This course is proving he most popular in the League's history as over 600 sets have already been sold his year, against 3,000 sets last year.

The New England Epworthians have een requested to observe the week of rayer with special topics, as follows: unday, "The Relation of the Young Peole to the Future of the Church;" Monday, "What I Owe to Myself;" Tuesday, What I Owe to the League;" Wednesday, What Does the Church Signify to Me?" Thursday, "What Can I od for Outsiders?" Friday, "Helps and Hindrances to Chris-

Baltimore Convention. At the recent convention of the Balti-

nore district several live topics were dis-cussed, as follows: "Shall We Abandon r Improve the Sunday Evening Service?" Relation of Epworth Leaguers to Amuseents." Some of the points made were that the Sunday evening service should be a helpful preparatory meeting and al- be no charge for admission. ways connected with the regular church service. The pastor should loyally support the league. One of the principal addresses was, "The Epworth League Out of the Old Century Into the New." It was decided to have a committee appointed to confer with the other districts in Marywar upon the liquor traffic being the theme of the convention. Resolutions were adopted pledging loyalty to the church on he amusement question; for an officer to be the head of department of missions. and favoring on "Aged People's Outing Association of Epworth League."

"The Methodist Church of the future is the Leaguer of the present; the Junior of

today will be the Epworthian of tomorhe League."

"Methodism, Old and New." "Qualifications for Leadership." 'The League as an Evangelistic Force.' "The Bible and How to Use It "

'The Missionary Awakening.' "The Revival Agency." Bishop Joyce's Appeal.

Bishop Joyce, President of the genral League, has, in compliance with the equest of the cabinet, made an appeal for very chapter throughout the church to observe Sunday, December 29, as a day of special prayer for the presence of the Holy Spirit among the people, suggesting an early morning service and one in the afternoon. He also requests the pastors to preach Sunday morning on prayer and

The chapters are also requested to mee at 6:30 Sunday evening and hold special services Monday evening and join with the pastor Tuesday evening, December 31, in

n the evning on the Holy Spirit's work.

the "watch night" services. League Missionary Work.

The District League missionary com ittee, under the efficient leadership of Mrs. E. M. Wharton, has accomplished nuch good. She presented the cause of Trinity Chapter recently, and the members voluntarily pledged themselves to support a native pastor-teacher in India, and her eloquent appeal to Metropolitan Epworthians resulted in voluntar; oledges to support four of these mis-

re Messrs. J. Finney Engle, J. H. Allen, and F. T. Is-ael.

The following chapters have appointed chairmen of missionary work:
Dumbarton, Miss Helen Smith; Trinity,
Miss G. M. Sheldon; Waugh, Mrs. M. M.
Mitchell; Wilson Memorial, Mr. W. J.
Wilson; Metropolitan, Mrs. E. M. Whar-

One of the most helpful departments in

eagre circles is that of "Mercy and Help." The League has ben fortunate from its beginning to have an able officer at its head. A great deal of work is done which does not appear in the re- the District.

About 2,000,000 members of the Epworth | ports. An idea of the ground covered League will consider for Sunday evening's by this department in Washington can be devotional meeting "The Universal Dogained from the following: Visits to minion-The Imperial Faith." The lesson sick and aged, 5,444; calls on strangers, 700; bouquets distributed, 1,500; hospital visits, 324; over 400 needy cases relieved, 39,000 pages of good literature distributed; meetings in jail and workhouse, 132; number of conversions in such pervices, 40; 235 Sunday school scholars secured; over \$600 expended for charity. A free bed has been named after the organization and supported each year by the League through the efforts of this department. It is in Sibley Memorial Hospital. The present chairman of this work is Mrs. M. Mitchell.

Gave a Linea Social. A linen social was held at Metropolitan

M. E. Church Wednesday evening, December 11, for the benefit of Sibley Hospital, a piece of linen being the price of admission. A large supply of table linen, towels, bed linen, etc., and 37 in cash were re-

Interesting Programme.

An interesting programme was rendered as follows: Prayer by W. S. Dewhirst; sole, Miss Darby; recitation, Miss Alice Maydwell; solo, Miss Elizabeth Wahley; address, Miss Charlotte Aiken, superintendent of the hospital; duet by Miss Standish and Miss Sanford; violin solo, Mr. Sergnite; recitation, Miss Maydwell; violin solo, Miss Bettie Warfield. The accompanists were Miss Bunch, Miss Baldenecker, Miss Hanchen and Miss Shard-

Miss Aiken stated that the hospital was owned by the Woman's Home Missionary Society and the expenses so far had been about \$17,000; that over 600 patients had been treated, and that twenty-six nurses were employed. She also stated that the bed supported by the League had been a great blessing to many poor people who had been accommodated and treated who would have been turned away but for the enerosity of the Epworthians.

Among those present were Mrs. Mitchell, who presided, and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ison, Miss Mary Jett, E. S. La Fetra, Fred E. Woodward, Miss Rose Wilson, Mrs. F. T. Israel, Miss Sallie Phillips, Grover C. Gill, Miss Louise French, Miss Rose Gill, Rainsford French, Miss Ada Gilbert, Mrs. Leishar, Miss Helen Smith, Miss Tribby, H. L. Jenkins and others.

Arranging a Lecture Course,

A lecture course is being arranged by the committee recently appointed by the District president. It will be announced about Christmas. The committee in charge is composed of Miss Esther R. Woodward, Mr. J. Finney Engle, and Mr. F. T. Israel.

Ryland Chapter had an interesting meeting last Sunday evening, several of the District officers took part. The officers of Ryland are as follows: President, Mr. Worth Harper; first vice president, Mr. Richard Walker; second vice president, Miss E. G. Walker; third vice president, Miss M. C. Brewer; fourth vice president, Miss Ruth Bielaski; secretary, Miss Sadie White; treasurer, Mr. Richard Barber.

Mr. H. A. Ison will conduct the devotional service at Dumbarton Sunday The meeting at Wesley Sunday evening

at 6:30 o'clock will be in charge of the Rev. J. W. Steele. Eldbrooke Chapter, Tenleytown, will hold its devotional service at 7:15 po'clock Sunday evening, conducted by District recording secretary. A lecture will be given in this church on Thursday evening, December 19, by Rev. W. L. Davidson, on his trip to London and the Ecumenical Conference. This lecture will be given under auspices of the literary department, and there will

Secretary Berry Ill The Rev. Joseph F. Berry, General Secretary of the Epworth League and editor of the "Epworth Herald," has had to relinquish his duties for the present on ac-count of ill health, and has gone to New Mexico and southern California to recuperate. Epworthians throughout the

country will pray for his speedy recovery. The Rev. Hedding B. Leech, formerly an officer in the Washington district, is now pastor of a flourishing church at Hackensack, N. J. His congregation has almost quadrupled during the last seven

Ex-President of the District, Fred E. Tosker, is prospering in his profession, patent law, in New York city. Grace Chapter is doing good work in se-

curing groceries and provisions for distribution among the poor on Christmas. Mrs. Jessie Nicholson will be the leader of the devotional service on Sunday even-Gorsuch Chapter, Four-and-a-half and

L Streets southwest, is active in the several departments. On Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock Mrs. Hainey will have charge of the League service. E. J. Booraem conducted Hamline

League services last Sunday evening and Miss Dolan and Miss Wallis rendered a duet, which added to the meeting. Brookland chapter will hold "An Old-Fashioned Good-Time Social" at the home

of Mr. Cohen, on Dover Street, December 30 at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. E. C. Miller will have charge of the devotional services tomorrow evening. Foundry Chapter is showing ingenuity

and enterprise in the character of its entertainments. For the coming week an invitation has been issued on characteristic paper, worded as follows: The Epworth League invites you to

come to the Little Red Skule House, corner Fourteenth and G Streets, Tuesday before 8 o'clock, to participate in a Destrick Skule Spellin' Bec. Apples, ginger bread, and popcorn will be passed around.

"The captains of the contesting classes are Davy Salmon and Charle- Roesch, with Judge E. A Burdick on the bench. Roll call will be taken at 8 o'clock, followed by singin' and speakin' and an exhibition of lightnin' calculatin' by the world's champion.'

Professor Frisby, third vice president of Dumbarton Chapter, is making a successful canvass in his league for the Enworth Hall of Literature of the American University. Miss Lizzie Goebel conducted the devotional meeting last Sunday even-

Wilson Memorial Church members have organized an Enworth League choir, com-posed of the young members recently graduated from the Junior Society. This is one of the most active organizations in

SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE CITY CHURCHES

Calvary Church, Eighth and H Streets northwest, Rev. S. H. Greene, D. D., pasmorning worship; 6:30 p. m., Intermediate Christian Endeavor meeting; 7:30 p. m., illustrated lecture by Mr. Charles F. Weller, general secretary of the Associated Charities, on "How the Other Half Lives in Washington;" Tuesday, 8 p. m., Young People's prayer meeting; Thursday, 7 p. m., meeting of the Bible Club of the study of the Sunday school lesson, 8 m. weekly rever meeting of the Sunday school lesson, 8 m. weekly rever meeting of the study of the Sunday school lesson, 8 m. weekly rever meeting of son; 8 p. m., weekly prayer meeting of ing.

p. m.; Seniors at 6:30 p. m. All invited.

eenth an O Streets northwest—Public and Kenesaw Avenue, Columbia Heights, corship and preaching by Rev. Dr. E. B. collard at 11 a. m., "The Christian's Connect Code," at 7:30 p. m. "What Makes a control of the Community of the Pollard at 11 a. m., "The Christian's Conduct Code;" at 7:30 p. m., "What Makes a Baptist?" in the series "Religion and Creeds;" Bible school, 9:30 a. m.; Prof. Carroll's class, 10 a. m.; young people, 6:30 n. m. All invited

C. Coleman, pastor—freaching, if a. m., Shall mote, rector—Holy communion, 8:50 and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor; Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; morning school, 9:30 a. m., Robert L. Haycock, superintendent; Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. All invite: Trinidad Church, Levis Street northeast

E Street Church, E Street, near Sixth | Church of the Epiphany, G Street, Rev. Street northwest, Dr. J. J. Muir, pastor— R. H. McKim, D. D., rector—8 a. m., holy

paster's subjects, "Through Tribulation Seeing Life:" Sunday school 9:30 a m

Episcopal.

tor will preach Sunday morning and even-Metropolitan Church, Sixth and A Streets northeast, Dr. G. S. Williams, pastor—Bible school at 9:30 a. m.; worship, with sermons by the pastor, at 11 ship, with sermons by the pastor, at 12 ship, with sermons by the pastor, at 12 ship, with sermons by the pastor, at 13 ship, with sermons by the pastor, at 12 ship, with sermons by the pastor at 12 ship, with sermons at 12 ship, with s Trinity Church, Third and C Streets class for men and women; 11 a. m., litany, sern.on, and holy communion; 3 p. m., Schlors at 6:30 p. m. All invited.

Second Church Auditorium, Fourth Street and Virginia Avenue southeast, Rev. E. Hez Swem, pastor—Pastor explains "How a Man Amused and Delighted People," 7:45 p. m., preaching by pastor at 11 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:39 a. m.; B. Y. P. U., 6:45 p. m.; prayer and social service, Thursday, 7:45 p. m. Free pews; all invited.

St. Stephen's Church, Fourteenth Street Church of the Advent, Second and Control of the Advent, Second and Control

evensong, 4 o'clock; evening prayer and sermon, 7:45 o'clock. Seats free. Strangers Baptism at 12 m.; communion at 3 p. m., administered by Rev. W. B. Johnson, D. D., pastor Second Baptist Church; preaching at 8 p. m. All are welcome.

Church of the internation, N and Twelfth Streets northwest—Services, 7:30 and 11 a. m., 4:30 and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.; the Archdeacon of Washington will preach at 11 a. m. Church of the Incarnation, N and

St. Ann's Church, Tenleytown-The Rev.

dale, pastor, the Rev. Father Eugene Hanrow at 10:30 a. m. by the Rev. Father Hannan, who will also preach. Sunday

St. Matthew's Church, Thomas S. Lee rector-Services tomorrow will take place at 7, 9 and 11 o'clock a. m. Vespers 4 p. m. Sunday school 9 a. m. The choir will sing directed by Miss Glennan. The Sodality yesterday held a service at which Father Sterling delivered a sermon and saya the heradiction gave the benediction.

Paul Griffith—Services tomorrow at 6, 7, 9 and 11 a. m. Vespers at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 9. a. m.

Church of the Nativity, Brightwood-

row's services will take place at the regular hours and will be followed by the Sunday school. Father Currier, will be assisted at tomorrow's services by the Rev. Father Mast, of the Marist Order. At the high mass at 10:30 o'clock the choir will sing: Asperges, Kollross; Ka'liwoda's Mass, and at offertory, "Jesu Redemptor," Klein, alto sollo. At vesper services the full Gregorian chants will be sung by the choir, with the antiphons and hymn for the day sung by the sunglised choir of the day sunglised choir of the

A pontifical requiem mass for the repos

Dennis Devine, Thomas Healy, James Gillen and John Smith, who are preparing for holy orders at the Paulists' House Studies at the Catholic University, will on December 21 go to New York, where they will be ordained priests. The Rev. Father Walter Elliett, Superior of the Paulists in this city hopes for a visit very soon from the Rev. Elias Younan, of Winchester, Tenn., a distinguished missionary of the Paulist order

mass at the university last Sunday since his elevation to the episcopal dignity. A reception in his honor was tendered him by the University Club last Sunday evening; the vice rector, Dr. Garrigan and the faculty of the university entertained the bisnop Tuesday evening at McMahon Hall, and the Carroll Institute honored itself day evening.

St. Dominie's Church, pasters, the Revs J. P. Moran, J. P. Vailely, R. M. Bloomer, J. A. Bokel, Timothy O'Rourke, and F. A. Spencer—The usual Sunday services will